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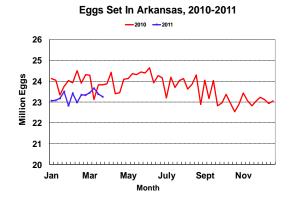
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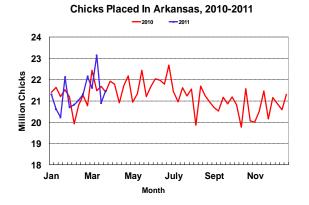
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Arkansas Chick Placements Up Slightly from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.5 million during the week ending March 26, 2011. Placements were slightly from the comparable week in 2010 and up 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.3 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 26, 2011, down 2 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.





State	Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
		1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks			
Alabama	29,551	30,027	29,936	30,414	31,125	21,044	21,177	21,441	20,592	21,440
Arkansas	23,339	23,447	23,670	23,384	23,253	22,150	21,612	23,147	20,908	21,478
Delaware	3,899	3,853	3,810	3,888	3,882	4,498	5,112	4,624	4,626	4,824
Florida	1,359	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,349	1,225	1,290	1,249	1,270
Georgia	33,090	33,447	33,291	33,153	32,819	27,285	28,329	28,770	28,305	26,744
Kentucky	7,822	7,788	7,707	7,834	7,861	6,780	5,854	6,635	6,416	6,706
Louisiana	3,409	3,440	3,409	3,440	3,471	3,021	3,081	2,997	3,036	3,227
Maryland	7,688	7,716	7,677	7,654	7,741	6,758	5,621	6,226	6,533	6,041
Mississippi	19,064	18,980	18,991	19,428	18,722	16,401	15,919	16,276	16,477	16,528
N. Carolina	19,794	19,597	19,632	20,293	20,189	15,202	15,799	16,277	15,819	15,782
Oklahoma	7,148	7,061	7,432	7,470	7,268	2,973	3,638	2,559	4,131	4,837
Pennsylvania	3,732	3,861	3,984	3,921	3,648	3,203	3,257	3,020	3,028	3,153
S. Carolina	5,566	5,566	5,660	5,439	5,746	4,852	4,050	4,010	4,010	4,916
Texas	15,351	15,728	15,347	15,202	15,012	11,915	11,778	12,343	12,989	13,152
Virginia	6,465	6,571	6,513	6,318	6,590	4,352	4,759	4,705	4,966	5,402
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,356	19,949	19,312	19,656	19,804	17,022	16,527	15,978	17,406	17,388
19 State Total	206,633	208,391	207,731	208,854	208,491	168,805	167,738	170,298	170,491	172,888
Prev. Year Total	207,365	206,494	205,506	207,381	205,353	168,299	169,058	170,165	169,930	169,163
% of Prev. Year	100	101	101	101	102	100	99	100	100	102

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 208 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 26, 2011. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 26, 2011. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through March 26, 2011 were 2.03 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.